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By the Lord Deputy and Council.

HENRY CROMWELL.



Hereas in pursuance of an Ordinance of his Highness the Lord Protector and Council, bearing date the 23. of *June* 1654, confirmed by Parliament, many Godly and able Ministers have resorted into this Land; yet nevertheless for that diverse persons who have been ejected in *England*, and disallowed in *Scotland*, for scandal or insufficiencie, have also adventured without any allowance or lawfull admittance to intrude themselves into some places of this Nation, from whence, if not timely prevented, may ensue the corrupting of the People in their judgments and conversations, and disaffecting them to the present Government and Peace of these Nations. The Lord Deputy and Council taking the same into their consideration, do Order and Declare, That the Justices of the Peace of each respective County within this Nation, shall at their next general Sessions of the Peace, or at the Publick Assizes which shall first happen after Publication hereof, take the premisses into their due consideration, and upon perusal of the List of Ministers and Schole-Masters, allowed by Publick Authority within their County (hereunto annexed) or otherwise by the best ways and means they can, certify under their, or any three of their hands, within Six Months after the said Assizes or Sessions or afterwards as there shall be cause, the Names and Places of aboad of all such persons as either do or shall publicly preach, or teach Schools within their County, and are not, or shall not be persons allowed or admitted as aforesaid; To the end, upon representation thereof to the Lord Deputy and Council, due and speedy course may be taken for the encouragement of such of them as shall appear to be able and of Godly conversations; and for discountenancing and removing such as shall appear to be scandalous and insufficient.

Dated at the Council-Chamber in *Dublin* the twentieth day of *January*, 1657.

*W. Steele* Canc. *R. Pepys*. *Miles Corbet*. *Math. Thomlinson*. *William Bury*.

Ordered by the Lord Deputy and Council, That this Declaration be forthwith Printed and Published.

*Thomas Herbert* Clerk of the Council.

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